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PLAINTIFFS

See Attachment A to Civil Cover Sheet

DEFENDANTS

See Attachment B to Civil Cover Sheet

ATTORNEYS (FIRM NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER)

See Attachment C to Civil Cover Sheet

ATTORNEYS (IF KNOWN)

N/A

CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE)
(DO NOT CITE JURISDICTIONAL STATUTES UNLESS DIVERSITY)

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Has this action, case, or proceeding, or one essentially the same been previously filed in SDNY at any time? No ☐ Yes ☒ Judge Previously Assigned

If yes, was this case Vol. ☐ Invol. ☐ Dismissed. No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, give date _____ & Case No. _____

IS THIS AN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CASE?

No ☒

Yes ☐

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NATURE OF SUIT

TORTS

ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES

CONTRACT

- ☐ 110 INSURANCE
- ☐ 120 MARINE
- ☐ 130 MILLER ACT
- ☐ 140 NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT
- ☐ 150 RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENT & ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENT
- ☐ 151 MEDICARE ACT
- ☐ 152 RECOVERY OF DEFAULTED STUDENT LOANS (EXCL VETERANS)
- ☐ 153 RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENT OF VETERAN'S BENEFITS
- ☐ 160 STOCKHOLDERS SUITS
- ☐ 190 OTHER CONTRACT
- ☐ 195 CONTRACT PRODUCT LIABILITY
- ☐ 196 FRANCHISE

PERSONAL INJURY

- ☐ 310 AIRPLANE
- ☐ 315 AIRPLANE PRODUCT LIABILITY
- ☐ 320 ASSAULT, LIBEL & SLANDER
- ☐ 330 FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY
- ☐ 340 MARINE
- ☐ 345 MARINE PRODUCT LIABILITY
- ☐ 350 MOTOR VEHICLE
- ☐ 355 MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCT LIABILITY
- ☐ 360 OTHER PERSONAL INJURY
- ☐ 362 PERSONAL INJURY - MED MALPRACTICE

ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES

CIVIL RIGHTS

- ☒ 440 OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS (Non-Prisoner)
- ☐ 441 VOTING
- ☐ 442 EMPLOYMENT
- ☐ 443 HOUSING/ ACCOMMODATIONS
- ☐ 445 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - EMPLOYMENT
- ☐ 446 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - OTHER
- ☐ 448 EDUCATION

PERSONAL INJURY

- ☐ 367 HEALTHCARE/ PHARMACEUTICAL PERSONAL INJURY/PRODUCT LIABILITY
- ☐ 365 PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCT LIABILITY
- ☐ 368 ASBESTOS PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCT LIABILITY

PERSONAL PROPERTY

- ☐ 370 OTHER FRAUD
- ☐ 371 TRUTH IN LENDING

- ☐ 380 OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE
- ☐ 385 PROPERTY DAMAGE PRODUCT LIABILITY

PRISONER PETITIONS

- ☐ 463 ALIEN DETAINEE
- ☐ 510 MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE
- ☐ 530 HABEAS CORPUS
- ☐ 535 DEATH PENALTY
- ☐ 540 MANDAMUS & OTHER

PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS

- ☐ 550 CIVIL RIGHTS
- ☐ 555 PRISON CONDITION
- ☐ 560 CIVIL DETAINEE CONDITIONS OF CONFINEMENT

FORFEITURE/PENALTY

- ☐ 625 DRUG RELATED SEIZURE OF PROPERTY
- ☐ 21 USC 881
- ☐ 690 OTHER

LABOR

- ☐ 710 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT
- ☐ 720 LABOR/MGMT RELATIONS
- ☐ 740 RAILWAY LABOR ACT
- ☐ 751 FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA)
- ☐ 790 OTHER LABOR LITIGATION
- ☐ 791 EMPL RET INC SECURITY ACT (ERISA)

IMMIGRATION

- ☐ 462 NATURALIZATION APPLICATION
- ☐ 465 OTHER IMMIGRATION ACTIONS

BANKRUPTCY

- ☐ 422 APPEAL
- ☐ 28 USC 158
- ☐ 423 WITHDRAWAL
- ☐ 28 USC 157

PROPERTY RIGHTS

- ☐ 820 COPYRIGHTS
- ☐ 830 PATENT
- ☐ 840 TRADEMARK

SOCIAL SECURITY

- ☐ 861 HIA (1395ff)
- ☐ 862 BLACK LUNG (923)
- ☐ 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g))
- ☐ 864 SSID TITLE XVI
- ☐ 865 RSI (405(g))

FEDERAL TAX SUITS

- ☐ 870 TAXES (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant)
- ☐ 871 IRS-THIRD PARTY
- ☐ 26 USC 7609

OTHER STATUTES

- ☐ 375 FALSE CLAIMS
- ☐ 400 STATE REAPPORTIONMENT
- ☐ 410 ANTITRUST
- ☐ 430 BANKS & BANKING
- ☐ 450 COMMERCE
- ☐ 460 DEPORTATION
- ☐ 470 RACKETEER INFLUENCED & CORRUPT ORGANIZATION ACT (RICO)
- ☐ 480 CONSUMER CREDIT
- ☐ 490 CABLE/SATELLITE TV
- ☐ 850 SECURITIES/ COMMODITIES/ EXCHANGE
- ☐ 890 OTHER STATUTORY ACTIONS
- ☐ 891 AGRICULTURAL ACTS
- ☐ 893 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS
- ☐ 895 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT
- ☐ 896 ARBITRATION
- ☐ 899 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT/REVIEW OR APPEAL OF AGENCY DECISION
- ☐ 950 CONSTITUTIONALITY OF STATE STATUTES

Check if demanded in complaint:



CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

Declaratory and
Injunctive Relief

DEMAND \$⁰ _____ OTHER _____ JUDGE _____ DOCKET NUMBER _____

Check YES only if demanded in complaint

JURY DEMAND: ☐ YES ☒ NO

DO YOU CLAIM THIS CASE IS RELATED TO A CIVIL CASE NOW PENDING IN S.D.N.Y.? IF SO, STATE:

NOTE: You must also submit at the time of filing the Statement of Relatedness form (Form IH-32).

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ORIGIN

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding
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- ☐ a. all parties represented
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BASIS OF JURISDICTION

IF DIVERSITY, INDICATE CITIZENSHIP BELOW.

- ☐ 1 U.S. PLAINTIFF
 ☐ 2 U.S. DEFENDANT
 ☒ 3 FEDERAL QUESTION (U.S. NOT A PARTY)
 ☐ 4 DIVERSITY

CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY)

(Place an [X] in one box for Plaintiff and one box for Defendant)

CITIZEN OF THIS STATE	PTF [] 1	DEF [] 1	CITIZEN OR SUBJECT OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY	PTF DEF [] 3 [] 3	INCORPORATED and PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN ANOTHER STATE	PTF DEF [] 5 [] 5
CITIZEN OF ANOTHER STATE	[] 2	[] 2	INCORPORATED or PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN THIS STATE	[] 4 [] 4	FOREIGN NATION	[] 6 [] 6

PLAINTIFF(S) ADDRESS(ES) AND COUNTY(IES)

DEFENDANT(S) ADDRESS(ES) AND COUNTY(IES)

DEFENDANT(S) ADDRESS UNKNOWN

REPRESENTATION IS HEREBY MADE THAT, AT THIS TIME, I HAVE BEEN UNABLE, WITH REASONABLE DILIGENCE, TO ASCERTAIN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESSES OF THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANTS:

Check one: THIS ACTION SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO: ☐ WHITE PLAINS ☒ MANHATTAN
 (DO NOT check either box if this a PRISONER PETITION/PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT.)

DATE July 8, 2015 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN THIS DISTRICT

[] NO

[x] YES (DATE ADMITTED Mo. 07 Yr. 1991)

Attorney Bar Code # JN-7347

RECEIPT #

/s/ Julie A. North

Magistrate Judge is to be designated by the Clerk of the Court.

Magistrate Judge _____ is so Designated.

Ruby J. Krajick, Clerk of Court by _____ Deputy Clerk, DATED _____.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT (NEW YORK SOUTHERN)

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DATE

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN THIS DISTRICT

[] NO

[X] YES (DATE ADMITTED Mo. 10 Yr. 1998)

Attorney Bar Code # JL-1681

RECEIPT #

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Magistrate Judge _____ is so Designated.

Ruby J. Krajick, Clerk of Court by _____ Deputy Clerk, DATED _____.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT (NEW YORK SOUTHERN)

ATTACHMENT A TO CIVIL COVER SHEET

PLAINTIFFS

Elisa W., by her next friend, Elizabeth Barricelli; Alexandria R., by her next friend, Alison Max Rothschild; Thierry E., by his next friend, Amy Mulzer; Ayanna J., by her next friend, Meyghan McCrea; Olivia and Ana-Maria R., by their next friend, Dawn Cardi; Xavion M., by his next friend, Michael B. Mushlin; Dameon C., by his next friend, Reverend Doctor Gwendolyn Hadley-Hall; Tyrone M., by his next friend, Bishop Lillian Robinson-Wiltshire; and Brittney W., by her next friend, Liza Camellerie, individually and on behalf of a class of all others similarly situated, and Letitia James, the Public Advocate for the City of New York.

ATTACHMENT B TO CIVIL COVER SHEET

DEFENDANTS

The City of New York; the New York City Administration for Children's Services; Gladys Carrión, Commissioner of the New York City Administration for Children's Services, in her official capacity; the State of New York; the New York State Office of Children and Family Services; and Sheila J. Poole, Acting Commissioner of the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, in her official capacity.

ATTACHMENT C TO CIVIL COVER SHEET

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ATTACHMENT D TO CIVIL COVER SHEET

CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BREIF STATEMENT OF CAUSE) (DO NOT CITE JURISDICTIONAL STATUTES UNLESS DIVERSITY)

- 42 U.S.C. § 1983—Violations of substantive due process rights under the First, Ninth and Fourteenth Amendments.
- 42 U.S.C. § 1983—Violations of provisions of the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980, as amended by the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, 42 U.S.C. § 670 *et seq.*
- Supplemental jurisdiction claims under New York State Social Services Law and the regulations adopted thereto and New York State common law breach of contract.